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SUBJECT: INTERFACILITY TRANSPORT – ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT PROGRAM

The Orange County EMS (OCEMS) Agency is initiating a county-wide Interfacility Transport – Advanced Life Support (IFT-ALS) program effective October 1, 2013.

The IFT-ALS program is not a substitute for accessing 911 for acute medical emergency response and transport. Rather, the IFT-ALS program is designed to transport patients in need of advanced life support monitoring between health facilities as deemed necessary by an attending physician or licensed medical provider acting on behalf of a health care provider organization.

Requirements for OCEMS licensure as an IFT-ALS service provider are described in OCEMS Policy # 777.00 (attached). OCEMS IFT-ALS personnel accreditation standards are defined in OCEMS Policy # 778.00 (attached).

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